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SUBJ: POST-1975 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) ON SHARED
USE OF SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

SUMMARY: WE ARE SENDING TO WASHINGTON AN ORIGINAL SIGNED COPY OF
THE SUBJECT MOU, AND WE QUOTE THE TEXT OF A LETTER CONFIRMING
CANADIAN AGREEMENT TO THE MOU. END SUMMARY.

1. WE RECEIVED FROM NICSMA FOR US RETENTION, AN ORIGINAL SIGNED
COPY OF THE SUBJECT MOU. LT.GEN. PASCHALL, USAF, DIRECTOR, DEF-
ENSE COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY, IN BRUSSELS FOR THE NATO JOINT
C-E COMMITTEE, IS CARRYING THIS COPY OF THE MOU TO WASHINGTON.

2. THERE FOLLOW BELOW THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE CANADIAN DELE-
GATION TO THE NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF CONFIRMING THEIR AGREEMENT
TO THE SUBJECT MOU. PLEASE NOTE THE CANADIAN STIPULATIONS ON THE
FREQUENCY PLAN IN THE MOU. BEGIN QUOTE: YOU WILL RECALL THAT
THE CANADIAN POSITION ON FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS FOR NATO
SATCOM II AND SATCOM III AS THEY AFFECT THE NATO
SATELLITE GROUND TERMINALS IN CANADA HAS BEEN RECORDED
IN NATO FORUMS OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS INCLUDING THE NJCEC,
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JCEWG AND ARFA. IN PARTICULAR, ANNEX X TO AC/270-DS/8,
NOVEMBER 16, 1971 OUTLINED SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR CANADA
ACCEPTING IN PRINCIPLE CONFIGURATION 5-BIS FOR THE PRELIMINARY
FREQUENCY PLANNING FOR NATO SATCOM III.

OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS MY AUTHORITIES HAVE GIVEN ACTIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE FREQUENCY PLAN CONTAINED IN THE POST-1975 MOU. THIS PLAN, INsofar AS CANADA IS CONCERNED, IS APPLICABLE TO THE US DSCS-II SERIES OF SATELLITES. I AM NOW PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT MY AUTHORITIES HAVE ADVISED THAT THE FREQUENCIES IN THE POST-75 MOU PERTAINING TO THE M-2 SATELLITE GROUND TERMINAL AT CARP, HAVE BEEN FULLY COORDINATED WITH THE APPROPRIATE US AUTHORITIES AND ARE COMPATIBLE WITH EXISTING TERRESTRIAL MICROWAVE ASSIGNMENTS IN CANADA. AGREEMENT CAN THEREFORE BE GIVEN TO THE POST-1975 MOU. HOWEVER, IN SIGNIFYING THIS AGREEMENT, CANADA RECOGNIZES THAT THE FREQUENCY PLAN AS A WHOLE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR THIS REASON, THE CANADIAN AGREEMENT IS THEREFORE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

A. THAT THE FINAL FREQUENCY PLAN, AS IT PERTAINS TO THE M-2 SATELLITE GROUND TERMINAL AT CARP, REMAINS COMPATIBLE WITH CANADIAN TERRESTRIAL MICROWAVE ASSIGNMENTS;

B. THAT ANY CHANGES IN THE AUTHORIZED FREQUENCY PLAN IN THE SHARED BAND, WHICH AFFECT M-2 AT CARP WILL BE COORDINATED IN ADVANCE WITH THE CANADIAN AUTHORITIES, AND

C. THAT ADJUSTMENTS MAY BE MADE AT SOME FUTURE DATE BY CANADA, TO FREQUENCIES IN THE SHARED BAND ALLOCATED TO M-2 AT CAPR SHOULD THESE PROVE TO BE NECESSARY.

I TRUST THAT THIS WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO YOU IN ORDER TO CLEAR THIS LONG OUTSTANDING ITEM. SHOULD ANY DIFFICULTIES ARISE, I WOULD BE PLEASED TO TAKE THEM UP WITH MY AUTHORITIES.

I HAVE ALSO TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF FURNISHING A COPY OF THIS LETTER TO CAPTAIN A.V. TALLEY, CHAIRMAN ARF, AND MR. E.B. GENTRY, US MISSION TO NATO.
YOURS TRULY,

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/S/ V.I. MILNE
FIRST SECRETARY
(DEFENCE PRODUCTION)

END QUOTE.STRAUSZ-HUPE

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